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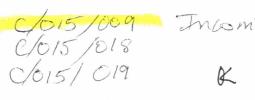
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CC: Ken Karl

Mr. Ken Fleck Manager of Geology and Environmental Affairs Energy West Mining Company 15 No. Main Street P.O. Box 310 Huntington, Utah 84528

Dear Mr. Fleck:

Subject:

Extension of Permit Expiration Dates for Deer Creek Mine, UT0023604, Cottonwood

Mine, UT0022896, and Trail Mountain Mine, UT0023728

Following up on the September 13th meeting with members of my staff, this letter is to formally notify you that the above listed permits will be administratively extended beyond their current expiration dates. Utah Administrative Code (UAC) R317-8-3.1(4)(d) allows for extension of your permit provided a timely application was submitted. Your applications for the mines listed under the subject heading above were all submitted in a timely manner. Therefore, your existing effective permits will remain fully effective and enforceable until the effective date of a renewal permit.

The issues that have contributed to the need for extending these permits are primarily related to antidegradation reviews. I am advised that the meeting with my staff has provided you with the direction to develop these documents. If you have any questions regarding providing the antidegradation review information, please contact Mike Herkimer of my staff at 801-536-4386 or mherkimer@utah.gov.

Sincerely,

Walter L. Baker, P.E.

Director

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